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Information Disclosure Statement

1. In accordance with the Order of Paper 14 remanding the application back to the Examiner, the Examiner has considered the IDS, and has forwarded an initialed copy of the USPTO-1449 to the Appellants.
2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 7/17/03 as Paper 13 was filed after the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer on 12/30/02. However, the submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97.(e). Accordingly, the information disclosure statement has been considered by the Examiner. However, said consideration of the IDS has not changed the Examiner's grounds for rejection as stated in the already submitted Examiner's Answer currently pending before the Board.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andy S. Rao whose telephone number is (703)-305-4813. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8 hours.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris S. Kelley can be reached on (703)-305-4856. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)-305-4700.

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